

## Interview Summary

Application No. 09/461,663	Applicant(s) Barclay
Examiner Ware	Group Art Unit 1651

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Ms. Dallas

(3) Ms. Ware

(2) Mr. Naff

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Date of Interview Feb 5, 2002

Type: a)  Telephonic b)  Video Conference  
c)  Personal [copy is given to 1)  applicant 2)  Applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d)  Yes e)  No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 38-85

Identification of prior art discussed:

Cassidy et al. and Sommerville et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f)  was reached. g)  was not reached. h) N/A

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Discussed the Cassidy reference discloses culturing microbes in a non-chloride sodium containing medium and the issue is whether it would have been obvious to use microbes isolated from a saline environment. This brings into issue an environment that is saline. Applicant's Representative will provide a definition of saline environment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i)  It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

  
**DEBORAH K. WARE**  
**PATENT EXAMINER**

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.